## INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF WESTFIELD, INDIANA, AND HAMILTON COUNTY, INDIANA, CONCERNING UNWANTED ANIMALS DELIVERED TO THE HAMILTON COUNTY HUMANE SOCIETY

THIS AGREEMENT entered into on the dates set out herein, by and between Hamilton County, Indiana, ("the County") and the City of Westfield, ("the City"); and,

WITNESS THAT:

WHEREAS, the County, and the Humane Society for Hamilton County, Inc., ("the Society") have entered into a Service Agreement for the calendar year 2009, for the Society to be compensated for costs associated with the care of certain unwanted animals; and,

WHEREAS, the Service Agreement defines a "Participating Unit" as follows:

"Participating Unit" is defined as the County, and any city, or town within the County which enters into an agreement to reimburse the County, the amount of One Hundred Thirty-eight Dollars and Twenty-six Cents (\$138.26) per animal for each Stray Animal, which is received by the Society; and,

WHEREAS, the Service Agreement defines the term "Unwanted Animal" as follows:

"Unwanted Animal" is defined as: 1) an animal delivered to the shelter from a law enforcement officer of a Participating Unit; or 2) an animal which is delivered to the shelter by a resident of a Participating Unit, which is not owned or controlled by the resident, but is delivered by the resident in order that the animal may be treated humanely; or 3) an animal delivered to the shelter by its owner, who resides within a Participating Unit.

WHEREAS, the City of Westfield desires to enter into an agreement whereas the City would be a Participating Unit as defined in the Service Agreement, to permit its law enforcement officers and citizens to deliver Unwanted dogs and cats to the Society; and to be obligated to reimburse the County the amount of One Hundred Thirty-eight Dollars and Twenty-six Cents (\$138.26) per animal for each Unwanted dog or cat defined in the Service Agreement.

## IT IS THEREBY AGREED by the County and the City as follows:

- 1. The City agrees to reimburse the County, the amount of One Hundred Thirty-eight Dollars and Twenty-six Cents (\$138.26) for each Unwanted dog or cat which is either: a) delivered to the Society by a law enforcement officer of the City; b) a dog or cat which is delivered to the Society by a resident of the City, which the animal is not owed or controlled by the resident but is delivered by the resident in order that the dog or cat may be treated humanely; or c) an animal delivered to the shelter by its owner, who resides within a Participating Unit.
- 2. The Hamilton County Auditor shall cause a list of Stray Unwanted Animals provided to the County by the Society to be delivered to the City monthly. The City shall, in conformance with the City's payment schedule, reimburse the County the amount the amount for the stray Unwanted dogs and cats chargeable to the City at the rate of One Hundred Thirty-eight Dollars and Twenty-six Cents (\$138.26).
- 3. The parties agree that they have been operating under the terms in anticipation of this Agreement since January 1, 2009, and that this Agreement shall be effective for all dogs and cats from the City for the calendar year 2009 and shall continue from month to month thereafter until modified or terminated, subject to appropriation.
- 4. All other terms of the Service Agreement concerning the treatment of Stray
  Unwanted Animals are incorporated herein by reference.
- 5. In the event that there is a dispute between the Participating Unit, the Society, or the County concerning any of the terms contained herein, the parties agree that

there shall be a meeting held within ten (10) days of written notice of that dispute between the President of the Society, a designee of the Board of Commissioners of Hamilton County, and a designee of the City to attempt resolution of said dispute.

6. In the event any dispute is not resolved pursuant to paragraph 5 above, the parties agree to submit said dispute to mediation pursuant to the Indiana Rules of Alternative Dispute Resolution prior to initiating any lawsuit.

ALL OF WHICH IS AGREED by and between the City and the County on the dates set out herein.

	BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF HAMILTON COUNTY
Dated:	
	Christine Altman
	Steven A. Holt
	Steven C. Dillinger
ATTEST:	
Dawn Coverdale, Auditor	

Adopted this	day of	, 2009.
	WESTFIELD CITY CO	
	Hamilton County, In	ndiana

Voting For	Voting Against	<u>Abstain</u>
Kenneth Kingshill	Kenneth Kingshill	Kenneth Kingshill
Robert Horkay	Robert Horkay	Robert Horkay
John Dippel	John Dippel	John Dippel
Bob Smith	Bob Smith	Bob Smith
Tom Smith	Tom Smith	Tom Smith
Rob Stokes	Rob Stokes	Rob Stokes
Melody Sweat	Melody Sweat	Melody Sweat
ATTEST:		
Cindy I Gossard Clerk-Tre	OSUrar	